

Tuesday, February 4, 1958

HIGHLIGHTS

House passed bills on humane livestock slaughter and duty-free wool imports.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 1591-1616

Bills Introduced: 10 bills were introduced, as follows: S. 3219-3228, and S. Con. Res. 61. Pages 1592, 1593

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 3149, to increase the lending authority of Export-Import Bank of Washington (S. Rept. 1270); and

Report of Committee on Government Operations entitled "Supply Waste and Excesses in Northeast Air Command" (S. Rept. 1271). Pages 1591-1592

Bills Referred: Three House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 1591

Army Airplane Flight: Senate continued on H. R. 6078, to erect suitable markers at Fort Myer, Va., to commemorate the first flight of an airplane on an Army installation. Page 1606

Appointments to Boards of Visitors: It was announced that the Vice President had appointed Senator Bush to Board of Visitors to U. S. Coast Guard Academy and Senator Cotton to Board of Visitors to U. S. Merchant Marine Academy. Page 1632

Committee Authorization and Expenditures: Senate took up S. Res. 231, authorizing expenditure by Committee on the Judiciary of \$365,000 for investigation of antitrust and monopoly laws.

Pending at adjournment was Knowland amendment to reduce from \$365,000 to \$250,000 the total expenditures authorized in this resolution. The yeas and nays were ordered on this amendment. Page 1650

Calendar Call: By unanimous consent, it was ordered that on Thursday, February 6, following routine business the calendar will be called from its beginning. Page 1651

Adjournment: Adjourned at 6:38 p. m.

Committee Meetings

DEBT LIMIT INCREASE

Committee on Finance: Committee continued its hearings on H. R. 9955, to increase temporarily the public debt limit by \$5 billion, with further testimony favoring

its enactment from Percival F. Brundage, Director, Bureau of the Budget. Hearings continue Friday, February 7, with further testimony from this witness.

Committee announced that it had postponed its scheduled vote on H. R. 9955 on Thursday, February 6, and instead will consider on that day several House-passed bills.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee, in executive session, ordered favorably reported the following nominations: James W. Riddleberger, of Virginia, to be Ambassador to Greece; Parker T. Hart, of Illinois, to be Ambassador to Jordan; John Wesley Jones, of Iowa, to be Ambassador to Libya; Lester D. Mallory, of Washington, to be Ambassador to Guatemala; Edward J. Sparks, of New York, to be Ambassador to Venezuela; Clifton R. Wharton, of California, to be Envoy to Rumania; 170 recess appointments to the Foreign Service, and 726 promotions and appointments in the Foreign Service.

Prior to this action committee held open hearings on seven appointees to class 8 in the Foreign Service, whose names were drawn by lot pursuant to the decision of the committee on January 28.

Committee also heard a discussion of attendance at and problems of the Conference on the Law of the Sea, which will begin on February 24, 1958. Participating in this discussion were William Sanders, Assistant to the Secretary on Laws of the Sea, John Raymond, Legal Adviser, William Herrington, Special Assistant to the Secretary on Fisheries, and Raymond Yingling, Assistant Legal Adviser, all of the State Department.

INDIANS

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Indian Affairs Subcommittee continued its hearings on S. 2047, providing for the acquisition by the U. S. of all tribal lands of the Klamath Indians, and S. 3051, to amend the Klamath Termination Act by providing in the alternative for private or Federal acquisition of the part of the tribal forest that must be sold. Testimony favoring S. 2047 was received from Senator Morse, and Leander Quiring and David Epps, members of the Oregon Interim Legislative Committee on Indian Affairs, and

testimony favoring S. 3051 was heard from Assistant Secretary of Agriculture Ervin L. Peterson.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Lawrence E. Walsh, of New York, to be Deputy Attorney General, and Malcolm R. Wilkey, of Texas, to be Assistant Attorney General.

Prior to this action, committee held hearings on the nomination of W. Wilson White, to be Assistant Attorney General, the nominee testifying and answering questions in behalf of his own nomination. Also testifying in his behalf was Senator Clark. Hearing recessed subject to call.

ADMINISTERED PRICES

Committee on the Judiciary: Antitrust and Monopoly Subcommittee continued its hearings on administered prices in the auto industry, having as its witness Theodore O. Yntema, vice president, Ford Motor Co. This witness will continue his testimony tomorrow.

WELFARE AND PENSION PLANS

Committee on Labor and Public Welfare: Committee met in executive session to consider S. 2888, to provide

for registration, reporting, and disclosure of employee welfare and pension benefit plans, and proposed amendments thereto, but took no final actions and recessed subject to call.

POSTAL-RATE INCREASES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Continuing its hearings on proposed postal-rate increases, subcommittee heard testimony, as indicated, from the following witnesses: Homer Kempfer, National Home Study Council, who opposed postal-rate increases; Tyre Taylor, Southern States Industrial Council, who opposed rate increases in first-class mail, and proposed second- and third-class increases; Hulen C. Walker, American Foundation for the Blind, who requested exclusion for mail for the blind; Giles Morrow, Freight Forwarders Institute, who opposed increases in first-class and airmail rates; Don White, National Audio-Visual Association, who opposed increases in book rates; and Peter J. Salmon, representing the industrial Home for the Blind, the American Association of Workers for the Blind, and the National Society for the Prevention of Blindness, who opposed enactment of H. R. 5836, to adjust postal rates and to establish a Congressional policy for the determination of postal rates.

Hearings continue Thursday, February 6.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 38 public bills, H. R. 10477-10514; 12 private bills, H. R. 10515-10526; and 10 resolutions, H. J. Res. 525-529, H. Con. Res. 258-260, and H. Res. 471 and 472, were introduced.

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Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

H. R. 9271, a private bill (H. Rept. 1322);

H. R. 9304, amending the D. C. Policemen and Firemen's Retirement Act (H. Rept. 1323);

S. 1040, to amend the D. C. Life Insurance Act and the D. C. Fire and Casualty Act (H. Rept. 1324);

S. 1908, to amend the D. C. Hospital Center Act to extend the time and increase the authorization for appropriations for purposes of such act (H. Rept. 1325);

H. R. 3261, for the relief of the Oceanside-Libby Union School District, San Diego County, Calif. (H. Rept. 1326);

H. R. 7300, providing certain changes in zoning provisions under D. C. Alcoholic Beverage Control Act, amended (H. Rept. 1327); and

Report of the Antitrust Subcommittee of the Committee on the Judiciary entitled "The Airlines Industry" (H. Rept. 1328).

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Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with Calendar Wednesday business of February 12.

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Livestock Slaughter: Adopted several clarifying committee amendments and by a voice vote passed H. R. 8308, to establish the use of humane methods of slaughter of livestock as a policy of the United States. Rejected an amendment to delete language establishing an advisory committee. Also rejected an amendment that would have substituted the text of H. R. 5820 for the committee-approved bill. H. Res. 376, the rule providing for the consideration of the bill, had been adopted earlier.

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Wool Import Duty Suspension: By a record vote of 250 yeas to 129 nays the House passed H. R. 2151, to suspend for 3 years the import duties on certain coarse wools. H. Res. 460, the closed rule for the consideration of the legislation, had been adopted earlier.

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Adjournment: Adjourned at 5:30 p. m.

Committee Meetings

DAIRY PRICE SUPPORTS

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Dairy Products held hearing on H. R. 9650, and similar bills, to prevent a reduction in dairy price supports. Members of Congress were heard, including authors of bills relating to this matter. Hearings continue tomorrow.

FEED GRAIN PRODUCERS

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Livestock and Feed Grains met in executive session to consider program proposal for corn and feed grain producers.

NATIONAL DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: Continued executive inquiry regarding the national defense. Heard Navy Department witnesses, including Assistant Secretary (Air) Garrison Norton and Dr. John P. Hagen, Director, Vanguard Project, who will return for continued executive testimony tomorrow.

FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS ACT

Committee on Banking and Currency: Heard public witnesses on S. 1451 and H. R. 7026, Financial Institutions Act. Hearings continue tomorrow.

FEDERAL SCHOOL ASSISTANCE

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on General Education concluded hearings on proposed amendments to Public Laws 815 and 874, 81st Congress, relating to Federal assistance for school construction and maintenance in areas affected by Federal activities. Testimony was received from Representatives Edmondson, Watts, and Jones of Missouri.

SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH

Committee on Government Operations: Subcommittee on Executive and Legislative Reorganization continued hearings relative to a national scientific and research development program. Testimony was received from Lt. Gen. James Gavin, Chief of Research and Development, Army Department, who discussed organizational and budgetary problems as related to military scientific research and development. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

MILITARY AIR SERVICE

Committee on Government Operations: Subcommittee on Military Operations continued hearings regarding the operation of the Military Air Transport Service relative to its wartime and peacetime mission. Air Force Department witnesses were heard. Hearings continue tomorrow.

TRINITY RIVER

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation continued hearings on H. R. 6997, and related bills, to provide for the

joint development of the waterpower resources of the Trinity River division, Central Valley project, California, by the United States and Pacific Gas & Electric Co. Interior Department witnesses and others were heard. Hearings continue tomorrow at 9:30 a. m.

FCC

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Legislative Oversight continued hearings relative to administration of the laws under jurisdiction of the FCC and the conduct of the Commissioners. Heard today was Chairman John C. Doerfer, who will continue his testimony tomorrow.

JUDICIAL MISCELLANY

Committee on the Judiciary: In executive session ordered favorably reported to the House H. R. 3261, for the relief of the Oceanside-Libby Union School District, San Diego County, Calif. Also re-referred to Subcommittee No. 4 H. R. 4838, to incorporate the Military Order of the Purple Heart. Considered but took no final action on H. R. 4412, to incorporate the Veterans of World War I of the United States.

FEDERAL HIGHWAY ACT

Committee on Public Works: Resumed hearings on H. R. 9821, Federal Highway Act of 1958. Witnesses heard were Bertram Tallamy, Federal Highway Administrator, Francis Turner, Deputy Commissioner, Bureau of Public Roads, and Edward Cliff, Assistant Chief, Forest Service, Agriculture Department. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

MANPOWER UTILIZATION

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee on Manpower Utilization received testimony from representatives of the International Cooperation Administration. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

SUPERLINERS

Committee on Merchant Marine and Fisheries: Began hearings on H. R. 9342, and similar bills, to authorize construction of a superliner passenger vessel equivalent to the steamship *United States*; H. R. 9432, and similar bills, to construct a passenger vessel for operation in the Pacific Ocean; and H. R. 9654, and similar bills, to construct a nuclear superliner. Shipping industry officials were heard. Hearings continue tomorrow.

VETERANS' LEGISLATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Heard the national commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars in a presentation of legislative proposals. Will hear the national commander of the Disabled American Veterans tomorrow.

GENERAL REVENUE REVISION

Committee on Ways and Means: Continued hearings on general revenue revision. Testimony was received

on the following subchapters of the Internal Revenue Code: (c) relating to corporate distribution and adjustments; (j) estates, trusts, beneficiaries, and decedents; and (k) partners and partnerships. Among the witnesses heard were Representative Byrne of Illinois, and Senators Sparkman and Thye. Hearings continue tomorrow.

Joint Committee Meetings

ATOMIC RESEARCH PROGRAM

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Research and Development Subcommittee continued its hearings on the basic research program, with testimony today from the working scientists of selected research topics in the field of chemistry. Witnesses were as follows:

Introduction—Dr. P. W. McDaniel, Acting Director, Division of Research, Atomic Energy Commission;

Nuclear Chemistry—Dr. Gerhart Friedlander, Brookhaven National Laboratory; Dr. John O. Rasmussen, University of California; and Dr. John R. Huizenga, Argonne National Laboratory;

Radiation and Hot Atom Chemistry—Dr. Edwin J. Hart, Argonne National Laboratory; Dr. A. O. Allen, Brookhaven National Laboratory; Dr. Milton Burton, University of Notre Dame; and Dr. John E. Willard, University of Wisconsin.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

INFORMATION EXCHANGE

Joint Committee on Atomic Energy: Subcommittee on Agreements for Cooperation continued, in executive

session, to consider proposed amendments to the Atomic Energy Act regarding exchange of information and materials. Further testimony on this matter was received from Chairman Lewis L. Strauss, who was accompanied and assisted by other AEC officials.

Subcommittee will continue consideration of this subject tomorrow.

PRESIDENT'S ECONOMIC REPORT

Joint Economic Committee: Continuing its hearings on the President's Economic Report, committee received comments on recommendations contained therein from the following representatives of agriculture, business, and labor organizations: Roger Fleming, American Farm Bureau Federation; Emerson P. Schmidt, U. S. Chamber of Commerce, and Herbert Stein, Committee for Economic Development; Don Mahon, National Independent Union Council; and Vincent A. Perry, Federal Statistics Users' Conference.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

D. C. SOBRIETY TESTS

Conferees, in executive session, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of S. 969, to prescribe weight to be given to evidence of alcohol in tests given to District of Columbia drivers.

AIR FORCE CONSTRUCTION

Conferees, in executive session, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate- and House-passed versions of H. R. 9739, fiscal 1958 supplemental Air Force construction authorization bill.

Wednesday, February 5, 1958

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate adopted nine resolutions providing funds for committee investigations.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 1718-1735, 1767

Bills Introduced: 12 bills and 3 resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3229-3240; S. J. Res. 148; and S. Res. 256-257. Pages 1719-1720, 1767

Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows: .

H. R. 3770, to rename the Strawn Dam and Reservoir project in Kansas as the John Redmond Dam and Reservoir (S. Rept. 1272);

H. R. 6660, designating the Tuscaloosa lock and dam in Alabama as the William Bacon Oliver lock and dam (S. Rept. 1273); and

S. Res. 256, to establish a special committee on astronautics and space exploration, with amendment (S. Rept. 1274). Page 1719

Bills Referred: Two House-passed bills were referred to appropriate committees. Page 1718

Committee Authorizations and Expenditures: Senate adopted nine resolutions authorizing various activities and expenditures by sundry Senate committees, as follows:

S. Res. 231, authorizing expenditure by Committee on the Judiciary of \$365,000 for investigation of anti-trust and monopoly laws (by 28 yeas to 61 nays, Know-